**Red Scarf Girl: Chapter 12: “An Educable Child”**

1. **Prediction:** “You are different from your parents. You were born and raised in New China. You are a child of Chairman Mao. You can choose your own destiny. You can make a clean break with your parents and follow Chairman Mao, and have a bright future; or you can follow your parents, and then…”

a. What would you do and why?

b. What do you think Ji-li will do and why? Use evidence from the text.

2. You have been picked to design a piece of artwork for the class education exhibition for the communist party birthday is coming up. Your job is to design a poster that celebrates the success of communism in China and persuades people to think a certain way.\*

* The boys made a rooster crowing in, with a “red” sun rising in the background that says: “The rooster sings for the east is turning red”
* The girls used millet, or grains, to make a huge three dimensional portrait of Chairman Mao

**What will you design?** Sketch out 2-3 ideas on the **BACK** of this sheet. Be prepared to work with others to design your final project on a bigger poster.

\*You may design a poster for the communist party…or a poster against the communist party.

3. Teacher Zhang says, “No, you are not a leader but you are still an educable child. You can overcome your family background.” Educable comes from education. It means: someone that can learn, a child that can learn.

a. What do you think Teacher Zhang means when he says “you can overcome your family background?”

b. Will Ji-li “overcome her family background,” or break with her family? Why or why not? (use evidence from the text).